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SUBJECT: Exemption from Mandatory Use of the Government Travel Charge Card Program for Travel En Route to Deployments

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The use of the government travel charge card by travelers en route to certain deployments during which the traveler is unable to file a travel settlement voucher in a timely manner is an inconvenience to DoD travelers. It also increases the chance of delinquencies on charges incurred by the individual while reaching a departure point for a deployment. Therefore, effective immediately, the Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation, ("DoDFMR,") Volume 9, Chapter 3, subparagraph 030302.A.2.e. is revised to read as follows: "Such Military or DoD civilian personnel as approved by the Head of a DoD Component during: (1) a period of war, (2) a national emergency declared by the President or the Congress, or (3) mobilization, deployments (including travel en route to such deployments), or contingency operations."

Service Secretaries, Agency Heads, commanders and supervisors are reminded that the "DoDFMR" provides exemptions from mandatory use of the government travel charge card that may be applicable to travel requirements outside the continental United States in support of ongoing or future operations. These exemptions apply to mobilization, deployments, contingency operations, use in foreign countries, and security concerns. I encourage the appropriate use of these exemptions based on mission requirements.

If you have any questions regarding these matters, please contact Ms. Jacqueline Jenkins, Accounting and Finance Policy and Analysis Directorate, (703) 697-8282 or by email at jenkinsj2@osd.pentagon.mil or Mr. Steven Johnson, DFAS Travel Card Program Management Office, at (703) 607-5050 or by email at steve.johnson@dfas.mil.

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